

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 5 and 9-16 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-4, 6-8 and 17-20 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and Claims 5 and 9 have been amended by the present amendment without introducing of any new matter.

In the outstanding Office Action, the specification was objected to; Claim 6 was objected to; Claims 1, 3, 6, 8, 19 and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Clark et al. (U.S. Patent 6,611,687, herein “Clark”) in further view of Okada (U.S. Patent 6,484,032); Claims 2 and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Clark and Okada and in further view of Lincke (U.S. Patent Publication 2001/0044310); Claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Clark and Okada and in further view of Katz (U.S. Patent 6,433,737); and Claims 5 and 9-16 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form.

With regard to the objection to the specification, the specification has been amended in light of the comments noted in the outstanding Office Action. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested this objection be withdrawn.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 5 and 9-16 include allowable subject matter. In light of that indication, Claim 5 has been rewritten in independent form including subject matter of base Claim 1 and intervening Claim 4, and Claim 9 has been rewritten in independent form including subject matter of base Claim 6. Applicants note that the claim language objected in the outstanding Office Action, “through at least one radio base stations” recited in Claim 6, has been changed to “through at least one radio base station.”

Consequently, in light of the prior indication of allowable subject matter, the above discussion, and in view of the present amendment, no further issues are believed to be outstanding, and therefore, the present application is in condition for formal allowance, and an early action favorable to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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